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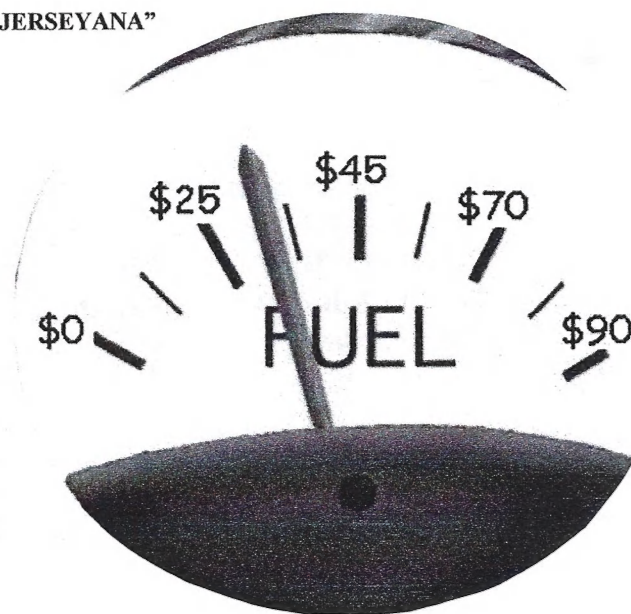
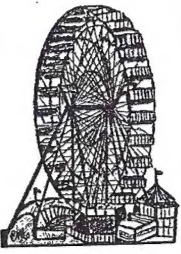
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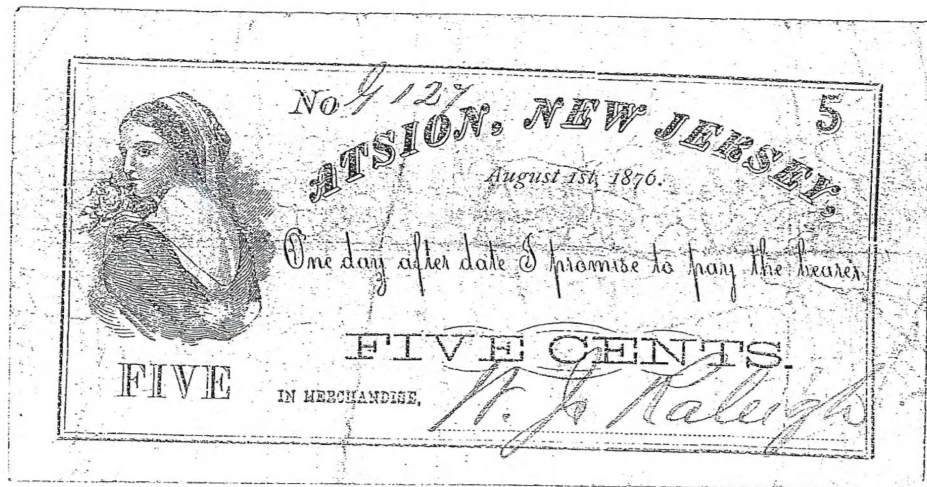
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1876 scrip note of the Atsion cotton works company store
W. J. Raleigh was the storekeeper for M(aurice) Raleigh & Son

Exonomia from Your Neighborhood

REMEMBRANCE OF A TOWN THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

David D. Gladfelter, NLG

Atsion today is a small Pine Barrens historic site next to a summer recreational area, located at the convergence of Burlington, Camden and Atlantic Counties where Route 206 crosses them. To the west of the highway is Atsion Lake, formerly the iron works mill pond, with swimming and boating facilities on its root beer colored cedar water. To the east and south are the remains of Atsion village -- the partially restored mansion of the 19th century iron master, Samuel Richards, the general store Richards built in 1827 now housing the ranger's office, the church and cemetery, the schoolhouse, a few dwellings, and the burned-out ruins of the cotton mill, originally built as a paper mill but never used as such. The cotton mill gave employment to Atsion residents after ironmaking ceased, and after a series of failed attempts by subsequent owners to revive the village economy.

In 1871, the entire village of Atsion, consisting of 27,370 acres including the mansion and other buildings, was purchased intact for less than \$2 an acre from the former owners' creditors by a wealthy Philadelphian, Maurice Raleigh. He got the cotton mill up and running, built shops and restored the church. With his son, W. J. Raleigh, he operated the general store which served

the workers in the cotton mill, and also operated a grist mill. A map of Atsion published the following year shows the land in the name of M. Raleigh & Son, with the residence of W. J. Raleigh located close to the store and grist mill buildings. It also shows Atsion as a railroad junction, with lines to Vineland going to the southwest, Atco, Williamstown and Philadelphia to the west, and Atlantic City, Long Branch and New York to the east.

These rail connections encouraged Maurice Raleigh to dream big. As Atsion's population grew to 300, Raleigh envisioned it becoming a large industrial community. An 1880 industrial directory stated that much of the region's manufactured goods, fruit and oysters were shipped to New York from Atsion. But Raleigh did not live to advance his plans. His heirs, hoping to do so, formed the Raleigh Land and Improvement Company three years after his death, publishing a map of the "Town of Raleigh, formerly Atsion," laid out in 30 surveyed city blocks. In an obvious appeal to those seeking to escape congested urban life, the map proclaimed:

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A less rhapsodic view was taken by the Burlington County atlas publisher:

There are many of these paper towns laid out through this section [of the county]. The parties who lay these places out issue flattering prospectuses all over the country, inviting the people to come ...Being on the line of the railroad, and also on the Atsion railroad, it has unusual advantages, and has grown considerably within the past few years. At present there is not more than one-sixth of the entire extent of this township under cultivation ...

The local historian Sarah W. R. Ewing says:

[Raleigh] was a carefully planned community, but, unfortunately, Maurice Raleigh's heirs lacked his sure touch. The Raleigh Land and Improvement Co. lingered on for several years but only a few lots were sold on the north side of the lake, and, in 1892, Philadelphia's financier, Joseph Wharton, bought it.

The Wharton holdings in the Pine Barrens, including the more extensive Batsto Village as well as Atsion Village, were acquired by the State of New Jersey in 1954. The Raleigh cotton mill was set afire by vandals and destroyed on March 27, 1977.

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ADDITIONAL U. S. MEDALS

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS



Lot No. 739

- 739 Hoboken Turtle Club Medal, ca. 1840.** White Metal, 33.2mm, pierced for suspension. Rulau unlisted. Very Fine. Obv. Green sea turtle (source of turtle soup and chowder and now an endangered species) with legend, *AS WE JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE, LET US (PAUSE ?) ON THE WAY*. Rev Legend *HOBOKEN TURTLE CLUB*, inscription identifies officers, *L. ACKERMAN, PS., J. BLACK, TR., J.H. WALCH, G.C. INNESS SEC.* An edge cut, a few scratches and an obverse dent at 6:00 suggest that this medal experienced long and honored wear by some Turtle Club loyalist.

The Hoboken Turtle Club was an institution of gourmands, founded in 1796, one of a number of socially prominent clubs of early Federal times. Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr were charter members, George Washington was an honorary member. This epicurean group met in the Elysian Fields near 10th Street, and elaborate club feasts were held in Hoboken's shady Turtle Grove. The Turtle Club survived well into the 20th century along with kindred social groups such as the I.D.K. (I Don't Know) Bowling Club and the Krout Club whose members were called Cabbage Heads who wilted rather than died. These clubs' around-the-clock banquets and food fests were the talk of the city as early as 1816 and were still receiving publicity as late as 1939.

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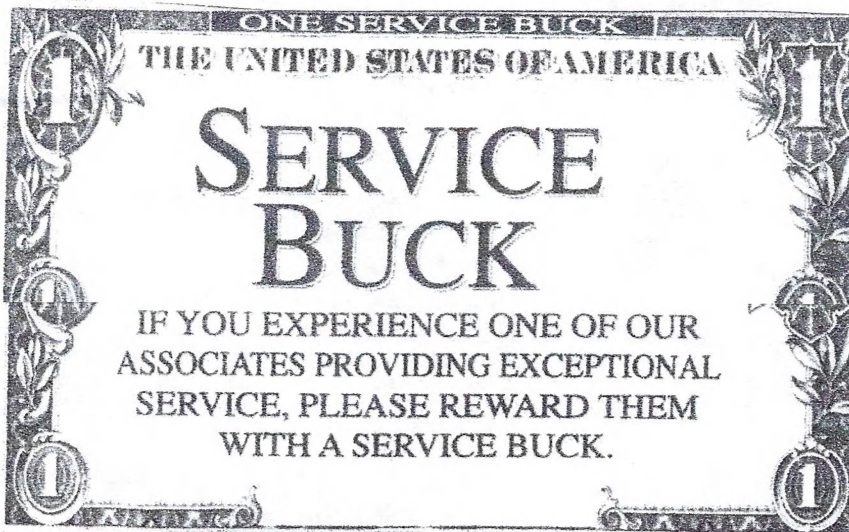
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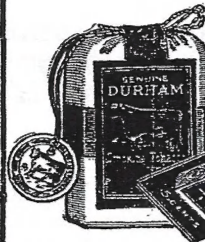
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IV. Shape the cigarette by rolling it with the thumbs, as you draw them apart.



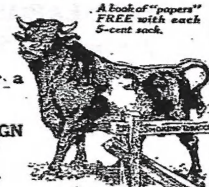
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